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IMPROVE TISSUE PROPERTIES

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Dear Examiner Royds:

In response to the final office action in the above-identified application, which was dispatched on April 21, 2011, the Applicants respectfully submit this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.